



Response Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 #15

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In re PATENT APPLICATION OF

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Group Art Unit: 2826

Appln. No.: 09/663,340

Examiner: Mondy, Johannes

Filed: September 15, 2000

Title: POWER SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND PRODUCTION METHOD FOR THE SAME

December 4, 2002

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Hon. Commissioner of Patents

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated September 4, 2002, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1 and 13 as follows:

- C1
- SUB D17
1. (Twice Amended) A semiconductor device comprising:
a body region of a first conductivity type formed in a semiconductor substrate and having a major surface opposite to a surface shared between the semiconductor substrate and the body region;
a plurality of trench gates extending through the body region;
a plurality of first semiconductor regions of a second conductivity type that is different from the first conductivity type, the first semiconductor regions having a first depth as measured from said major surface of the body region, at least a portion of the first semiconductor regions flanking the trench gates on both of their sides and being in contact with said trench gates via films bordering and insulating the trench gates; and